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Add the following paragraph at page 1, line 2, above the heading "Cross Reference to Related Applications":

--Statement as to Federally Sponsored Research

This invention was made with Government support under grant numbers CA85421 and AG14357 awarded by the National Institutes of Health. The Government may have certain rights in the invention.--

Replace the paragraph beginning at page 10, line 19, with the following rewritten paragraph:

--Figure 7 depicts an alignment of the CARD motif of CARD-7 (amino acid residues 1329-1416 of SEQ ID NO:2) and CARD-8 (amino acid residues 340-427 of SEQ ID NO:4) with CARD motifs of several apoptotic proteins (ASC, APAF1, Card-4, CASP1, RICK are SEQ ID NOs:7-11, respectively). Identical residues are indicated in black shading.--